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Minooka Intermediate School Newsletter

6TH GRADE COURSE OFFERINGS

Planning for the 2019-2020 school year is now in progress and we would like to inform you of the class offerings available to 6th grade students. Required courses for all students include language arts (two periods), math, science, social studies, physical education/health, and study hall. Exploratory courses that rotate every nine weeks include Art, Digital Citizenship, Music, Mindset, Character and Leadership, and Engineering Lab.

Some students, however, due to academic needs as identified through various assessments, progress monitoring data and classroom performance, will be required to enroll in either Math or Reading Rtl (Response to Intervention) instead of being enrolled in elective classes. These Rtl classes are specifically designed to support student needs and accelerate learning in the given academic area.

Those students identified as participating in Rtl will have their performance reviewed on an ongoing basis. If a student has successfully met the academic expectations of the Math or Reading Rtl course, they may be transitioned into the exploratory rotation.

Attached is a description of each elective course, (please see page 2 of this newsletter) outlining general information about what will be taught in the class. Students will be assigned for exploratory courses using the PowerSchool scheduling program and will participate in four of the five offerings. If your child chooses band they will not be assigned to any of the exploratory courses and will have band as their elective class every day.

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UPCOMING
EVENTS

May Events

5/27/19– Memorial Day: No School

June Events

6/6/19– MIS Field Day

6/7/19– Yearbooks Distributed

6/7/19– Last day of School 5 Hour

Day: Dismissal at 12:30 PM

6/10/19– Teacher Institute

Appreciation Strategy Humility
Commitment Responsibility Listening
Leadership
Integrity Honest Communication
Values Purpose Determination
Passion Principles



6TH GRADE FINE ARTS ROTATION CLASSES

ART

Students in 6th grade Art class will have the opportunity to explore a variety of ways of creating art. We will work to improve drawing and painting skills while also experiencing printmaking, clay and other sculptural materials. You will learn about art and artists around the world, as well as in your own back yard!

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Students will learn what it means to be a digital citizen and the responsibilities that come along with this role. The course will focus on the student's personal relationship with their technology as well as their relationships with peers and the world through the use of technology. Skills will be developed in managing their personal data, working collaboratively in an online community, and using technology to connect with a larger audience to serve their community.

MUSIC

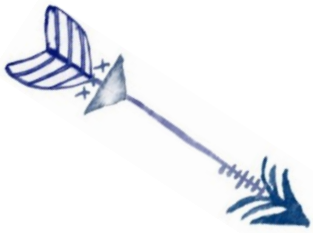
A major focus of Music class consists of learning to play the piano and guitar. Each student is assigned a keyboard and guitar to play. By the time a student leaves music class, he/she will be able to play several songs on both the piano and guitar. Students will be introduced to the instruments of the orchestra, as well as being exposed to famous composers such as Beethoven, Mozart and Tchaikovsky, and listen to some of their well-known music.

MINDSET, CHARACTER and LEADERSHIP

This course will help students at Minooka Intermediate School develop habits of self-discipline, initiative, communication, teamwork and organization, along with other skills it takes to be a good leader in your school and community. Students will build strong character that is based on integrity and emotional security that will lead to a healthy self image. It will also lead to personal growth outside of the classroom. Students will learn the impact that good character and decision making have on not only the school environment but in the real world as well. Good leaders are developed, not born and this course will provide students with the tools they need to become great leaders.

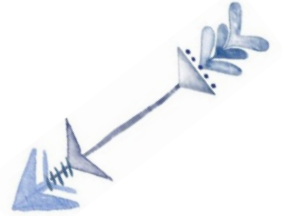
ENGINEERING LAB

During this 9-week course, students in Engineering Lab (E-Lab) will tackle real-world engineering problems using the Engineering Design Process (EDP) along with creativity and collaboration. Students will be immersed in an eight-step process where they will define a problem, brainstorm solutions, develop prototypes, iterate on their designs and communicate their solutions to solve problems not only in engineering, but also in other areas of their lives.



PRIDE ARROW WINNERS

May 20th-24th



5th Grade Arrow Winners

Abigail Fish

Ryan Hoge

Rebecca Kucera

Mason Pilon

Andrew Szambelan

6th Grade Arrow Winners

Mayson Carr

Gianna Cooney

Noah Fry



**Congratulations to our staff who were nominated for
"Staff Celebrations!" Fabulous job!**

Ms. Holstine



Mrs. Theobald

MIS Field Day!

Minooka Intermediate School students are looking forward to a fun-filled Field Day full of outdoor activities to celebrate the school year! We need the help of several parent volunteers in order to make the event a success.

MIS Field Day is scheduled for THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH. If you are able to volunteer, please complete the form below ASAP!

We will contact you a few days in advance to remind you of your shift time. Parents able to volunteer will need to bring their own lunch, and follow our district dress code. Please note that siblings of any age are unable to volunteer.

When you arrive on Field Day, please go inside and pick up your name tag/activity assignment from the table setup outside the main office.

We thank you in advance for volunteering! It is because of the parents like you that MIS is the best!

Link to form:

<https://forms.gle/kDN3oHEhVJL83MdV8>

*Please email dawnfraserpto@gmail.com with any questions about volunteering.

Field Day Reminders

- 5th Grade is in the morning and 6th grade is in the afternoon.
- Wear weather appropriate clothing and sunscreen because most of the events are outside.
- Students will be tie-dying their Field Day shirts. It can get very messy and will stain clothing. If your child is tie-dying that day, have them wear old clothing and shoes.
- If your child did not purchase a Field Day shirt they can still tie-dye a white T-shirt from home for \$1.
- It is a normal school lunch day.



School Supply Kits

School Name:

Minooka Intermediate &
Jr. High Schools

Ordering Available:

Beginning May 1st

Allow 10 days for processing.

5th Grade Boys - \$82.49
5th Grade Girls - \$78.86
6th Grade Boys - \$67.34
6th Grade Girls - \$63.89
7th Grade - \$71.87
8th Grade - \$71.87

schooltoolbox.com



We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box! Place your order online and it will be delivered directly to your home address. You will have the option to customize your order by adding or removing items from the teacher-approved list.

Already have a ruler or scissors? Remove them. Need an additional box of crayons for home or supplies for a sibling? Add them.

It's that simple! Order today!

Also, each box sold=one child fed.

Every School Tool Box sold will provide one meal to a starving child through Feed My Starving Children. When we say "Help is here," we mean it.

Registration Steps

1. Log into your Unified Classroom account at <https://classroom.powerschool.com>. (If you have any issues logging into your Unified Classroom account, please email pshelp@min201.org.)
2. Click on Quick Links in the navigation bar.
3. Click on Portal Login Home
4. Choose the appropriate student.
5. Click on Returning Student Registration button at the bottom.
6. Confirm that you are at least 13 years of age by checking the checkbox.
7. Click the green "Begin Form" button.
8. Verify your student's date of birth.

It is important to note that this form can only be completed in a web browser either on your phone, tablet or computer, not the smartphone PowerSchool app. The form only needs to be filled out once per student by a parent or guardian.

Once you get to the form you will need to fill it out and upload 2 proofs of residency. 6th graders will need immunizations and a physical, a dental form and a PE uniform. If you have any further questions about registration please contact us at the main office: 815-467-4692

MIS SPORTS PAGE!



Please note that sporting event dates and time are subject to change. For a live update on sports visit the Athletics Page on the Minooka 201 Website:

<https://www.min201.org/departments/athletics>

2019-2020 Tryout Information

Information for all sports tryouts are available on the min201.org website. Go to the main page, click on “Departments” at the top and then click “Athletics” to get to the Athletic webpage. Click on the sport your child is interested in for more information and a schedule will pop up!

Your child will need a sports physical or a 6th grade physical marked for interscholastic sports **AND** sports online registration filled out by the due date for each sport. You can register for multiple sports at a time and need to only register once per school year.

Fall Sports

Cross Country (5th and 6th)

Boys Baseball (6th Grade)

Boys Soccer (6th Grade)

Girls Softball (6th Grade)